



Spring Graduation – Friday, May 7

Ceremony at 2:00 pm

Senator John Thune

Ceremony at 5:00 pm

Representative Dusty Johnson

Employer Partner of the Year







Build Dakota Signing Day – Friday, June 4



- Two Sessions
- 110 Build Dakota Scholarships Awarded
- 95 Industry Sponsored students





Eastern South Dakota Perkins Consortium Annual Meeting

The HUB

2001 N Career Ave Sioux Falls, SD 57107

Friday, April 09, 2021

09:00 AM - 02:00 PM

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Meeting

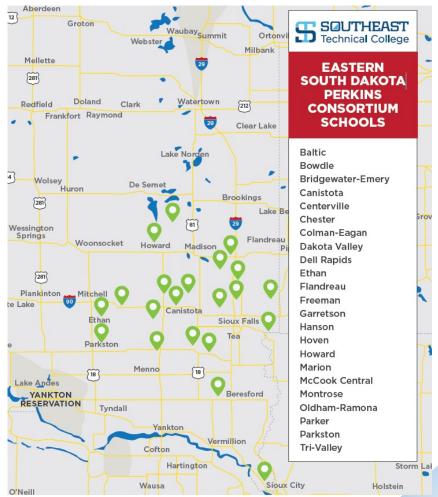
Friday, April 9, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Check in begins

(check-in will be from 9-9:30 a.m.)

Eastern South Dakota Perkins Consortium Annual Meeting FRIDAY, APRIL 9, 2021 9 a.m-2 p.m. Check in begins (check-in will be from 9-9:30 a.m.) Lunch is provided and sponsored by Southeast Technical College - The HUB 2001 N Career Ave | Sioux Falls, SD 57107 RSVP the number of people attending and their names by April 1 to Sara VandeKamp esoutheastech.edu. Please indicate if you need a virtual option to attend when you RSVP - we plan to stream as much as possible for those that cannot meet in person.

Keynote Speaker:

Diana VanderWoude, South Dakota State Technical Board Member & Sanford Health, Human Resources Senior Executive Director of Leadership, Education and Development (LEAD)





Thank you.

WESTERN TECH

Board of Technical Education Update

May 20, 2021











Commencement 2021

Address by Amberley Snyder:

Barrel-racing champion, motivational speaker, Film star

Record graduates:

381 students graduating

44 with more than one credential

3 dual enrollment students







Native American Honoring Ceremony







Law Enforcement Academy







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LAKE AREA TECHNICAL COLLEGE

State Board of Tech Ed Update

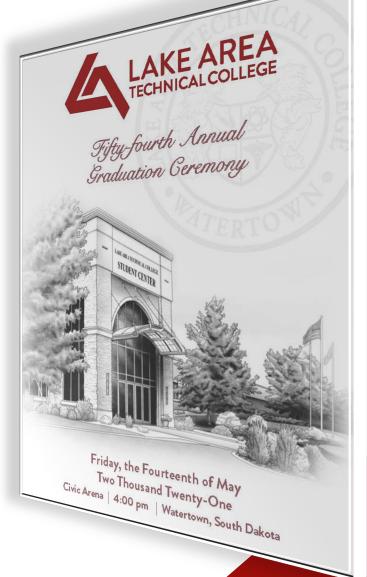






2021 Face-to-Face and Livestream Graduation

- 14 May 2021 4pm; 54th Graduation Ceremony
- <u>842</u> Unduplicated graduates
 - <u>157</u> from 2 foreign country and <u>20</u> other states
 - 685 come from 54 of 66 counties in South Dakota
 - 173 communities across South Dakota.
 - 72% were employed, 40% worked more than 20 hours a week
 - Almost 100,000 hours of community service and service learning.
 - Investing in our future: Over \$3M the community has invested in this class
- 6 Retirees will be recognized
- Commencement Address: South Dakota Secretary of Labor, Marcia Hultman





Happenings at Lake Area Tech



- Fall 2021 Enrollment looking strong
 - Strategic Expansion of programs
- New Apprenticeships
 - Telecommunications Tower Tech 1 and 2
 - Apprentice App Developed
- Drone and Coding Camp
- HLC 4-year review
- I'M IN Capital Campaign
 - 2 Buildings completed
 - 2 Projects in Design
 - 3 projects in the wings







Awards and Recognition



- 2021 ATEA National Teacher of the Year Greg Klein
- 2021 ATEA National Outstanding Technical Education
 Student of the Year Ian Radach
- 2020 ATEA Outstanding Trustee of the Year Brooks Jacobsen
- 2020 ATEA Partnership Award Prairie Lakes Healthcare System
- McTeacher of the Month Brady Brockel
- Aspen Rising Presidents Fellow Diane Stiles
- Best Nursing School: #1 Program in the US
- MSN.com: Top Colleges in America for 50 different Rankings
 - Top Trade School in the Nation









Awards and Recognition

• Featured in:

- Lumina National Magazine –
 Best Practices in Advising
- Excellence and Equity in Community College
 STEM Award Welding



Achievements

- Military Friendly, Gold-level Honoree
- SD Hall of Fame Acts of Excellence NASA Interns
- Chronicle of Higher Ed: #3 Public Comm College in the US
- Best Online Colleges: #1 2-year college/#6 Overall 2/4-year
- Niche Best Community Colleges in the US #3
- Best Colleges #3 Community College in the US
- MSN International Top 4 Career and Technical Colleges Globally
- Learn.org #2 Best Community College in the US







Awards and Recognition

- MacKenzie Scott Impact Gift
 - \$10 million
- In her blog she indicates that she gave gifts to organizations with:
 - Proven leadership with a record of success
 - A history of significant impact in their area – in our case higher education; and
 - Continued to have an impact through the pandemic.





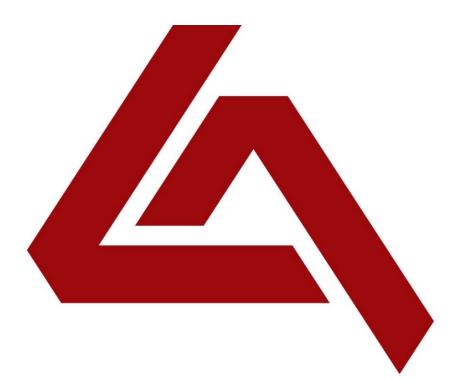


Emily Dickinson lived much of her life isolated in a single room, and I've found her poetry coming to me a lot this year. Though her isolation was voluntary, I doubt it was easy. Her room overlooked a cemetery, and many of her poems are focused on death

As the winter of 2020 approached, I might have expected one of those poems to keep floating to mind, but instead it was her writing on hope: "Hope' is the thing with feathers," it begins, "/ That perches in the soul/And sings the song







LAKE AREA TECHNICAL COLLEGE







- Number one concern is and will be the safety & well-being of our students and employees
 - We are no longer posting COVID-19 updates
 - > 75% of Mitchell Tech employees are fully vaccinate
 - > Social distancing will continue during on-campus summer classes
 - Mask optional beginning May 10th
 - We will make adjustments & changes as needed



☐ Eagle Feather Ceremony- Thursday, May 6th

> Six graduates and families participated

□ 53rd Commencement- Friday, May 7th

- > 3 Ceremonies (by divisions) at the World's Only Corn Palace
- > 395 of 464 (85.13%) graduates walked in ceremony
- Increased attendance compared to 2019 (3,189 to 3,309)
- > Additional 1,221 views of ceremonies via Live Stream

■ Summer 2021 Semester

- Monday, May 17th-Friday, August 6th
- 290 students enrolled

Build Dakota Update

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- Build Dakota Cohort 7 (Awarded as of 5-18-21)
 - 5 Build Dakota Scholarships Awarded
 - > \$107,947 Build Dakota Funds
 - 67 Double Edge Scholarships Confirmed
 - > \$552,000 Employer/Partner Funds

Cohort 7 Projections

- 75 Double Edge Partnerships
 - \$610,000 Employer/Partner Funds
- > 10 Full Build Dakota Scholarships

Double-Edge (50 / 50)

- 33 First time employer partnerships
- 2 Students partnered with a community foundation
- Continued Partnership with the Yankton Sioux Tribe